## What is claimed is:

A relief valve adapted for connecting along a tubular air tract between an air intake connected to said tract and a source of vacuum also connected to said tract, said relief valve comprising:

 a first tubular member having walls defining a passageway therein, said walls including at least one aperture therein covered by a resilient diaphragm, said diaphragm being responsive to negative pressure within said tubular member to relieve negative pressure within said tubular member at a predetermined

threshold, said first tubular member being adapted for anchoring along an exterior

A relief valve as in claim 1, wherein:
 said air tract forms a part of an intake tract of an I.C. engine.

surface of said tract in sealing engagement thereto.

3. A relief valve as in claim 2, wherein: said walls of said tubular member include multiple apertures surrounding said diaphragm, said diaphragm having an annular shape which is complementary to and underlies said multiple apertures.

A relief valve as in claim 3, further comprising:

a supplementary support means for bolstering the resiliency of said diaphragm element, said supplementary support means being located within said tubular element and adjacent said diaphragm element.

5. A relief valve as in claim 4, wherein:
said supplementary support means is a foam element.

A relief valve as in claim 2, further comprising:

a filter means located externally, with respect to said tubular element and said at least one aperture, for filtering air passing through said aperture.

- 7. A relief valve as in claim 6, wherein:
  said filter means has an annular shape and surrounds said tubular element.
- 8. A relief valve as in claim 2, wherein:
  said tubular member has a first end and a second end and each of said first and
  second said ends includes extended collar elements for attaching said relief valve
  to said exterior surface of said tract.
- A negative pressure intake tract of a vacuum source for conducting fluid flow there through, said intake tract comprising:

  a tubular passageway defining an intake tract having a first and second end and at least one portal in a wall thereof located between said first and second ends, a pressure relief valve structure surrounding an outer surface of said tubular passageway and aligned so as to cover over said portal, said relief valve structure including at least one aperture therein, said aperture being covered, and fluid flow through said aperture being regulated, by a resilient diaphragm member responsive to negative pressure within said intake tract wherein when said negative pressure exceeds a predetermined threshold, said resilient diaphragm enables fluid flow through said aperture and portal thereby relieving said negative pressure within said intake tract.
- 10. A negative pressure intake tract as in claim 9, wherein:said intake tract forms a part of an intake tract of an I.C. engine.

- 11. A tract as in claim 10, wherein:

  said relief valve structure includes multiple apertures surrounding said diaphragm

  member, said diaphragm member having an annular shape which is

  complementary to and underlies said multiple apertures.
- 12. A tract as in claim 11, further comprising:
   a supplementary support means for bolstering the resiliency of said diaphragm
   element, said supplementary support means being located within said relief valve
   structure.
- 13. A tract as in claim 12, wherein:said supplementary support means is a foam element.
- 14. A tract as in claim 10, further comprising:a filter means located externally, with respect to said relief valve structure and said at least one aperture, for filtering air passing through said aperture.
- 15. A tract as in claim 14, wherein:said filter means has an annular shape and surrounds said relief valve structure.